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SUBJ: MEDIA REACTION REPORT -- KISSINGER LATAM TRIP

1. JORNAL DO BRASIL CARRIED KISSINGER PHOTO BOARDING PLANE IN RIO AND CAPTIONED: "KISSINGER TRAVELLED TO BOGOTA WHERE STUDENTS' DEMONSTRATIONS AND USUAL SECURITY MEASURES AWAITED HIM". FRONT PAGE ITEM CITES CHANCELLOR SILVEIRA SAYING NYT REACTION KISSINGER SPEECH "REVEALS MISUNDERSTANDING AND UNFAIRNESS". COVERS SECSTATE'S ARRIVAL BOGOTA WHERE HE STATED BRAZIL-US AGREEMENT, BY WHICH BRAZIL GIVEN WORLD POWER STATUS, "EXPLAINED BY REALITY BASED UPON FACT".

2. JB'S PAGE SEVEN DEVOTED ENTIRELY TO SECRETARY'S VISIT.

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HEADING: "SILVEIRA CRITICIZES NYT EDITORIAL". SAID "EDITORIAL

OF NYT REPRESENTS OPINION OF NEWSPAPER, BUT THERE IS MISUNDERSTANDING OF BRAZILIAN POSITION IN LATIN AMERICAN CONTEXT. AS TO REFERENCES THAT SPEECH WILL REINFORCE IMAGE OF US SUPPORT TO RIGHTIST DICTATORSHIPS, BRAZILIAN CHANCELLOR TERMED THIS AS FRIVOLOUS..."HENRY KISSINGER IS NOT LEFTIST, BUT MAN OF GREAT MATURITY TOWARD PROBLEMS OF INTERNATIONAL POLICY"." ADDITIONAL NEWS ITEM COVERS SECSTATE'S UNOFFICIAL PROGRAM IN RIO AND QUOTES BRIEF FAREWELL STATEMENT TO PRESS AT AIRPORT: "I ENJOYED MY STAY IN BRAZIL AND BRAZILIAN PEOPLE WHO ARE VERY HUMAN. I HOPE TO RETURN SOON".

3. POLITICAL COLUMN "INFORME JB" SAYS "IF AT LEAST ONE ASPECT OF KISSINGER VISIT FRUITFUL, BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES WILL HAVE GAINED MUCH: HABIT OF GIVING PRESS CONFERENCES IN MORNING... ALLOWS JOURNALISTS TO WORK CAREFULLY, TRANSCRIBING WHOLE TEXT... WITHOUT MISTAKES AND LAST-MINUTE DEADLINES."

4. EDITORIAL PAGE CARTOON SHOWS SECSTATE IN BOAT SURROUNDED BY LARGE PILE OF FISH. ONE OF TWO OBSERVERS SAYS: "ONE THING IS CERTAIN; THIS ONE CAUGHT MUCH MORE THAN PRESIDENT OF FINLAND."

5. CULTURAL SECTION "CADERNO B" HAS FIRST PAGE COMPLETELY ON STAY IN RIO, HEADING: "DOCTOR FOLLOWED PATH OF THE STARS" WITH REFERENCE TO LUNCHEON WITH RAQUEL WELCH. FLAVOR OF SUBHEAD "SAMBA, BOAT TRIP, AND NOTHING ABOUT POLITICS" CONTINUED IN TEXT WITH DESCRIPTION SECRETARY'S RIO SOCIAL ITINERARY. READERS INFORMED COLOR AND STYLE SECRETARY'S PAJAMAS AND FACT NEXT TIME WILL BRING MRS. KISSINGER.

6. O GLOBO FRONT-PAGE EDITORIAL HEADED "BETWEEN BRAZIL AND MOON" WITH TEXT CONTRASTING U.S. ABILITY REACH MOON WITH INABILITY PREVENT PRIVATE SECTOR PRESSURES ON CONGRESS TO IMPOSE SURTAX ON BRAZILIAN SHOES AND MANUFACTURED GOODS. SECRETARY'S ATTEMPTS CONVINCE BRAZIL THAT "IN LAST ANALYSIS," BRAZILIAN ECONOMIC PROBLEMS ARE "NORMAL PAINS OF OUR GROWTH PROCESS" ARE NOTED AND DISMISSED. EDITORIAL OBSERVERS BETWEEN FIRST AND SECOND SEMI-ANNUAL BRAZIL-U.S. TALKS. U.S. ADMINISTRATION MAY CHANGE AND "FOREIGN POLICY CAN BE TRANSFERRED FROM MAGIC HANDS OF KISSINGER TO ANOTHER HEADMAN OF DIFFERENT UNCLASSIFIED

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7. FRONT-PAGE ARTICLE HEADLINED "KISSINGER LEAVES AND PROMISES RETURN SOON" INCLUDES PHOTO SECRETARY CLIMBING ABOARD YACHT "PLUFT" WITH TEXT CONTINUED INSIDED OUTLINING SOCIAL SIDE KISSINGER'S RIO STAY. INSIDE PHOTOS SHOW AIRPORT DEPARTURE AND VISIT NAVAL ACADEMY DURING BOAT RIDE. RIO MAYOR TAMOYO: "HE'S ACCESSIBLE, COMMUNICATIVE, CHARMING AND PLEASANT MAN".

SECRET SERVICE AGENT QUOTED AS SAYING WILL RETURN JUNE OR JULY.

8. ULTIMA HORA FRONT-PAGE PHOTO RAQUEL WELCH AND BRIEF ITEM ON KISSINGER'S RIO VISIT. TEXT, CONTINUED INSIDE, DESCRIBES SECRETARY'S LUNCH WITH RAQUEL WELCH IN WHICH SHE QUOTED AS SAYING "THEY TALKED ABOUT EVERYTHING EXCEPT POLITICS".

9. BACK-PAGE PHOTOS OF SECRETARY AND RIO CONGEN JOHN DEXTER AS SECSTATE THANKS RIO MOTORCYCLE ESCORTS. TEXT OUTLINES SOCIAL SIDE RIO VISIT WITH ISRAEL KLABIN BOAT TOUR OF BAY AND EVENING SAMBA SHOW.

10. SUNDAY NIGHT TV NEWSCASTS ALL HIGHLIGHTED SECSTATE'S SOCIAL PROGRAM WITH GENEROUS SHOWING OF KISSINGER AT SAMBA SHOW. TV TUPI REFERRED TO NYT EDITORIAL CRITICIZING SECRETARY AND STRONG SECURITY MEASURES AWAITING HIM BOGOTA. PRIME TIME TV GLOBO VARIETY SHOWS "FANTASTICO" SHOWED RAQUEL WELCH INTERVIEW SAYING LUNCHEON WAS VERY NICE AND PLEASANT, THAT KISSINGER IS GOOD FRIEND AND THAT SHE IS GOOD FRIEND OF NANCY, TOO. DEPARTURE AT AIRPORT SHOWN AND BRIEF INTERVIEW BY TV GLOBO REPORTER IN WHICH SECRETARY SAID HE IS VERY "FOND OF BRAZILIAN PEOPLE...THEY ARE A HUMAN PEOPLE AND I HOPE TO COME BACK SOON".
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